

# APRIL 2014 Immigration Fraud Reading List

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## **Fraud Against Immigrants, Including the Unauthorized Practice of Law (UPL):**

▪ **April 11, 2014** - FTC Wins Court Judgment Against Immigration Services Scam: Court Bans Baltimore-based Defendants from Providing Immigration Services (Baltimore, MD)  
<http://www.ftc.gov/news-events/press-releases/2014/04/ftc-wins-court-judgment-against-immigration-services-scam>

[http://www.ftc.gov/system/files/documents/cases/140411alban206permanent\\_injunction.pdf](http://www.ftc.gov/system/files/documents/cases/140411alban206permanent_injunction.pdf)

▪ **March 31, 2014** - Notario Públicos Scamming Immigrants, Government Plans to Crackdown on Those Targeting Latino Immigrants  
<http://www.latinpost.com/articles/9841/20140331/notario-p%C3%BAblicos-scamming-immigrants-government-plans-to-crackdown-on-those-targeting-latino-immigrants.htm>

## **Facilitators of Immigration Fraud:**

▪ **April 14, 2014** - Immigration lawyer accused of visa fraud (Atlanta, GA)  
<http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2014/apr/14/immigration-lawyer-accused-of-visa-fraud/>

<http://www.justice.gov/usao/gan/press/2014/04-14-14b.html>

▪ **April 9, 2014** - Supreme Court of the State of New York, Appellate Division, Second Judicial Department disbars attorney following conviction for immigration fraud and conspiracy to commit immigration fraud (New York, NY)  
<http://www.courts.state.ny.us/courts/ad2/calendar/webcal/decisions/2014/D40570.pdf>

▪ **April 3, 2014** - Warrington Woman Accused of Arranging Sham Marriages (Warrington, PA)  
<http://www.myfoxphilly.com/story/25159930/sham-marriages>

<http://www.ice.gov/news/releases/1404/140403philadelphia.htm>

▪ **April 2, 2014** - Rhode Island Leader Of Sophisticated, Violent Fraudulent Document Ring Pleads Guilty To Racketeering And Money Laundering (Richmond, VA)  
<http://www.justice.gov/usao/vae/news/2014/04/20140402gonzaleznr.html>

▪ **April 1, 2014** - Bay Area businessman pleads guilty in high-tech worker visa fraud scam  
Plea agreement calls for defendant to forfeit \$100,000 in proceeds from scheme (San Jose, CA)  
<http://www.ice.gov/news/releases/1404/140401sanjose.htm>

- **March 31, 2014**- Lake Elsinore Woman Sentenced for Flight School Immigration Fraud (Los Angeles, CA)  
<http://lakeelsinore-wildomar.patch.com/groups/police-and-fire/p/lake-elsinore-woman-sentenced-for-flight-school-immigration-fraud>
- **March 28, 2014** – ICE ... [p]ublicity push comes as marriage fraud ringleader is sentenced to more than 2 years in prison (Los Angeles, CA)  
<http://www.ice.gov/news/releases/1403/140328losangeles.htm>
- **March 24, 2014** - President of Bay Area university convicted in student visa fraud scheme (San Francisco, CA)  
<http://www.ice.gov/news/releases/1403/140324sanfrancisco.htm>  
[http://www.mercurynews.com/crime-courts/ci\\_25410171/visa-mills-federal-jury-convicts-founder-pleasanton-university](http://www.mercurynews.com/crime-courts/ci_25410171/visa-mills-federal-jury-convicts-founder-pleasanton-university)
- **March 20, 2014** - Charlotte Businessman Sentenced To Four Years In Prison For Worker Fraud Visa And Related Offenses (Charlotte, NC)  
<http://www.justice.gov/usao/ncw/pressreleases/2014/Charlotte-2014-03-20-raju.html>
- **March 14, 2014** - Three Defendants Sentenced in Manhattan Federal Court for Roles in Immigration Asylum Fraud Scheme (New York, NY)  
<http://www.fbi.gov/newyork/press-releases/2014/three-defendants-sentenced-in-manhattan-federal-court-for-roles-in-immigration-asylum-fraud-scheme>

#### **Fraud by Individuals for Their Own Benefit:**

- **April 8, 2014** - Kenyan Woman Sentenced To One Year For Marriage Fraud Conspiracy (Bangor, ME)  
[http://www.justice.gov/usao/me/news/20140408\\_kimani\\_margaret\\_sentenced.html](http://www.justice.gov/usao/me/news/20140408_kimani_margaret_sentenced.html)  
<http://www.telegram.com/article/20140409/NEWS/304099469/1116>
- **March 13, 2014** - Portland man, Russian woman accused of sham marriage scheme (Portland, ME)  
<http://bangordailynews.com/2014/03/13/news/portland/portland-man-russian-woman-accused-of-sham-marriage-scheme/>
- **March 6, 2014** - Man Sentenced For Misuse Of Passport And Aggravated Identity Theft (Buffalo, NY)  
[http://www.justice.gov/usao/nyw/press/press\\_releases/2014/mar/Bakusa\\_Dukuray.html](http://www.justice.gov/usao/nyw/press/press_releases/2014/mar/Bakusa_Dukuray.html)
- **March 4, 2014** – Arizona man stripped of citizenship for committing naturalization fraud (Phoenix, AZ)  
<http://www.ice.gov/news/releases/1403/140304phoenix.htm>

## Other Matters:

- **April 4, 2014** - Hearing of the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security: Passport Fraud: An International Vulnerability  
<http://homeland.house.gov/hearing/subcommittee-hearing-passport-fraud-international-vulnerability>

<http://www.c-span.org/video/?318698-1/passport-fraud>

- **April 2, 2014** - HSI leading nationwide campaign to stop marriage fraud (Washington, DC)  
<http://www.ice.gov/news/releases/1404/140402washingtondc.htm>

<http://www.imperialvalleynews.com/index.php/news/national-news/7931-hsi-leading-nationwide-campaign-to-stop-marriage-fraud.html>

<http://www.scpr.org/blogs/multiamerican/2014/04/01/16241/immigration-officials-marriage-fraud/>

<http://www.dailynews.com/social-affairs/20140331/immigration-officials-warn-angelenos-of-saying-i-do-to-marriage-fraud>

- **April 2, 2014** - Former Massachusetts RMV Employee Sentenced for Producing False Documents (Boston, MA)  
<http://www.justice.gov/usao/ma/news/2014/April/BrewerAlexandersentencingPR.html>